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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

(Currently Amended) An aging method for performing an aging of a
plasma display panel using an aging device including an air blowing means for cooling
a plasma display panel, the air blowing means is positioned above a surface of the
plasma display panel to direct air to the surface in a direction away from parallel
relative to the surface, the method comprising:

cooling the plasma display panel during the aging while changing at least one of a <u>direction</u> or amount of air blown from the air blowing means with time.

- (Original) The aging method of a plasma display panel according to claim 1, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices, and an air blowing amount of at least one of the plurality of air blowing devices is changed.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The aging method of a plasma display panel according to claim 1, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices and an air blowing direction changeable means provided between the plurality of air blowing devices and a—plasmathe plasma display panel so that, during an agingthe aging, the air blowing direction changeable means changes directions of air blown from the plurality of air blowing devices.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The aging method of a plasma display panel according to claim 1, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices so that, during an-agingthe aging, at least one of the plurality of air blowing devices is moved.
- (Currently Amended) The aging method of a plasma display panel according to claim 1, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing

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devices so that, during an agingthe aging, at least one of the plurality of air blowing devices changes in a direction.

(Currently Amended) An aging device of a plasma display panel, comprising:

an air blowing means for cooling a plasma display panel and an aging power source for applying a predetermined voltage to the plasma display panel to cause an aging electric discharge, the air blowing means being positioned above a surface of the plasma display panel to direct air to the surface in a direction away from parallel relative to the surface.

wherein the air blowing means is a means for changing, during an aging, at least one of an air blowing direction or an air blowing amount <u>with time</u> while cooling the plasma display panel.

 (Currently Amended) The aging device of a plasma display panel according to claim 6, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices, and

the air blowing means is a means for changing, during an agingthe aging, the air blowing amount of at least one of the plurality of air blowing devices.

8. (Currently Amended) The aging device of a plasma display panel according to claim 6, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices and an air blowing direction changeable means provided between the plurality of air blowing devices and a plasmathe plasma display panel, and

the air blowing means is a means for using, during an-agingthe aging, the air blowing direction changeable means to change the direction of air blown from the plurality of air blowing devices.

 (Currently Amended) The aging device of a plasma display panel according to claim 6, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices, and Application No.: Amendment Dated: April 21, 2009

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the air blowing means is a means for moving, during an agingthe aging, at least one of the plurality of air blowing devices.

(Currently Amended) The aging device of a plasma display panel according to claim 6, wherein the air blowing means includes a plurality of air blowing devices, and

the air blowing means is a means for changing, during an agingthe aging, the direction of at least one of the plurality of air blowing devices.